TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2642 - SB 2558

January 29, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires physicians to report to law enforcement any wound or injury resulting from exposure to a methamphetamine laboratory or methamphetamine laboratory related fire, explosion or chemical release. Grants immunity from any civil or criminal liability to those physicians who report such wound or injury.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- Notification to physicians of the provisions of this legislation can be accomplished through the Department of Health's online newsletters and will not result in a significant fiscal impact.
- Ensuring compliance with the provisions of this bill will not result in a significant fiscal impact to the Board of Medical Examiners and the Board of Osteopathic Physicians.
- Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-3-1011, all health-related boards are required to be self-supporting over a two-year period. As of June 30, 2011, the Board of Medical Examiners had a balance of \$1,465,207.30 and the Board of Osteopathic Physicians had a balance of \$227,559.19.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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